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# THE BIDDLE

# BEAT

June 2011

## Concealed Carry Legislation

### Sup. Biddle Testifies in Opposition, Requests Changes

Supervisor Biddle testified at the state capitol in Madison stating his opposition to the Concealed Carry Legislation. He has since called on Governor Walker to go further with permit restrictions.

"It is imperative that public facilities in Milwaukee County be exempted," Biddle said. "Concealed weapons should also be restricted in places like taverns, hospitals, child care centers and churches."



Biddle went on to talk about his concern of the safety of families onboard the Milwaukee County Transit System, the main terminal of General Mitchell International Airport, and in our parks, zoo, museums, and mental health complex if the proposed legislation goes into law.

Biddle is the lead sponsor of a resolution approved by the Milwaukee County Board to oppose concealed carry legislation in Wisconsin.

### Eyon's Milwaukee County Board Committees

Health & Human  
Needs (Vice Chair)

Economic and  
Community  
Development

Judiciary, Safety and  
General Services

Task Force on Work  
Reform for Men



# Habitat for Humanity's Blitz Build Week

## Ten 10<sup>th</sup> Districts Residents Will Become First Time Home Owners

Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity hosted more than 80 AmeriCorps National and VISTA members from May 9-13. The five days marked Habitat for Humanity's annual AmeriCorps Build-A-Thon and Blitz Build week.

In five short days, volunteers built 10 homes, all constructed in Milwaukee's Park West Neighborhood, in the heart of the 10th District. Sup. Biddle stopped by to show his support and meet the future home owners, who all helped build the houses they'd soon move into.



*Sup. Biddle at the new homes construction site speaking to volunteers.*

# Lindsay Heights Academic Olympics Math Competition

## District students honored on County Board day for achievement

Third graders from Milwaukee College Preparatory School's Lindsay Heights Campus recently celebrated their win in the first annual Lindsay Heights Academic Olympic math competition.

Thirty-five students from five schools participated in the event. The other schools were Hopkins Street School (2nd place), Young Leaders Academy (3rd place), Gwen T. Jackson Early Childhood School, and Brown Street Academy.



*MCP students pose with Chairman Holloway and Supervisor Biddle.*

The competition, part of the Children's Success Coalition of schools and youth serving agencies in Lindsay Heights, also gave awards excellence in English and verbal skills. On county board day, Supervisor Biddle presented the students with a citation congratulating them on their achievement. He also attended the competition and witnessed their win. Congrats to them!

## Summer Concert Calendar

**Jazz in the Park**  
**Cathedral Square Park**  
**520 East Wells Street**  
**(Thursdays 6-9pm)**

- 6/23: Valley of Dolls  
(Female Vocal Jazz Quartet)
- 6/30: The Bel Airs (Bluesy Rock N' Roll)
- 7/7: Orgone (Afrobeat & Funk)
- July 14-17 Bastille Days
- 7/21: Mr. Lucky Syndicate (Swing)
- 7/28: PhatPhunktion (Jazz, Funk & Soul)
- 8/4: Who's Your Daddy Trio  
(Organ Jazz Trio)
- 8/11: Mama's Digdown's Brass Band  
(New Orleans Style Brass)

**River Rhythms**  
**Pere Marquette Park**  
**900 N. Plankinton Ave.**  
**(Wednesdays 6:30-9pm)**

- 6/22: BROTHER (Didgeridoo, Bagpipes & Tribal Percussion)
- 6/29: King Solomon (Reggae)
- 7/6: Sindoola (African Reggae & Salsa)
- 7/13: Leroy Airmaster w/Junior Brantley  
(Blues & Jazz)
- 7/20: Jayk with I'm Not A Pilot (Rock)
- 7/27: Battle of the Bands Competition
- 8/3: Element 13 (Popular Cover Band)
- 8/10: John Sieger & TheSubcontinentals

## O'Donnell Park Repairs Ahead of Schedule

Supervisor Biddle joined several other Milwaukee County Supervisors for a tour of the O'Donnell Park parking garage to get a close up view of the repairs made in the wake of a tragic incident that occurred last summer.



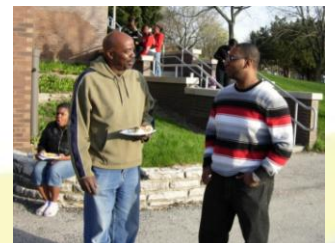
The garage was closed last June after a panel fell from the structure, killing one person and injuring two.

The facility is expected to be open this week in time to accommodate parking for Summerfest.

## Tiefenthaler Park

### Neighborhood Walk & Cleanup

Sup. Biddle joined the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department and the Milwaukee Police Department in a neighborhood walk and community cleanup of Tiefenthaler Park.



Neighbors and community leaders participated in the May 18<sup>th</sup> cleanup. The event was also an immediate campaign fulfillment of the supervisor to make sure the parks in the 10th district are clean, safe, and enjoyable for everyone in the district.



# General Mitchell Airport Reports Steady Passenger Increase

Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele announced on June 2nd that passenger traffic at General Mitchell International Airport increased for the 20th straight month. The numbers were fueled by competition among Frontier Airlines, Airtran Airways, and Southwest Airlines.



## Fighting for the Working Class

### Supervisors Biddle and Harris Push to Negotiate AFSCME Contract

Supervisor Biddle, along with Supervisor Nikiya Harris, have been hard at work, fighting for working class families by calling on the Milwaukee County Board to enter into negotiations with AFSCME District Council 48.

A strong supporter of Collective Bargaining Rights for workers, Supervisor Biddle urged the County Board to act with a sense of urgency given the provisions of Governor Walker's budget repair bill, which was opposed by Supervisor Biddle.



Supervisors Biddle & Harris encourage their colleagues to vote in favor of immediate negotiations.



## Upcoming Local Events

**July 4 @ 12pm** - Youth Talent Show, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Center

**July 12 @ 6pm** - Tiefenthaler Walk, Tiefenthaler Park

**July 16 @ 12pm to Dusk** - Garfield Avenue Festival

**August 6 @ 10am to 6pm** - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Back to School Festival/Backpack Giveaway

**August 6** - African World Festival, Summerfest Grounds

**Coming Soon** - 10th District Town Hall Meetings!

## Salvation Army Feed the Children Event



*Sup. Biddle speaks to employees and volunteers at the Salvation Army Feed the Children event*

On June 9th, the Salvation Army & Feed the Children delivered food to needy families. Biddle showed his support as residents received a week's worth of food, personal care items and Avon products. The families were previously selected by The Salvation Army and agency partners La Causa Charter Schools and Highland Senior Apartments.

## Agreement Reached with County Nurses

Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors recently approved a contract extension for 334 nurses employed by the County. The contract will save \$1.7 million in 2012 and was done in a way that saves taxpayer dollars while respecting the collective bargaining process.

"I applaud Chairman Holloway and my colleagues who fought for this. This is an example of true leadership. This is the type of leadership I hope we can continue as we go into the County Budget season. We can save taxpayer money, preserve services that enhance the quality of life for our residents, and respect workers all at the same time," said Supervisor Biddle.

### Message from the Supervisor

Dear Friends,

Since I was sworn in on April 21st, I have made it a point to hit the ground running for the residents of the 10th district. I will use my e-newsletter as a way to reach out to you, my constituent. I know who I work for.....YOU! Please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can be of assistance to you and your family.

Eyon Biddle, Sr. Milwaukee County Supervisor, District 10

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